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**Attached:**

- 1) Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 pg);
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<b>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/977,112
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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